(b) if so, the details of persons confenred Padma Awards and refused to accept the same; and

(c) what are the reasons for refusing the awards?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The following 4 persons have declined the award on grounds of their principles or personal convictions:—

SI.No.	Name of the Persons	Award announced
1,	Prof. (Smt.) Romila Thapar Shri S.R. Sankaran	Padma Bhushan
3.	Shri Kuntgod Vibhuti Subbanna	Padma Shri
4.	Shri Kanaksen Deka	Padma Shri

Security of VIPs by CISF

†226. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS *he* pleased to state:

(a) whether Govemment have decided to withdraw NSG and para-military forces from the security of VIPs and handover the same to Central Industrial Security Force;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when the decision will come into force?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) No Sir. However, CISF has been identified as the designated force for providing security to the VlP's.

(b) and (c) Question does not arise.

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.